

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 8(N)(6)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** May 20, 2025

**FROM:** Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving an  
Interlocal Agreement between  
Miami-Dade County and the City  
of Miami Beach for \$245,000.00  
per year for the first two years  
for the provision of the fixed-  
route Mount Sinai link and  
authorizing the County Mayor to  
execute the Agreement and  
exercise all provisions contained  
therein, including termination

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The accompanying resolution was prepared by the Transportation and Public Works Department and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Micky Steinberg,

  
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Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

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# Memorandum



**Date:** May 20, 2025

**To:** Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriquez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** Daniella Levine Cava  
Mayor 

**Subject:** Interlocal Agreement with the City of Miami Beach for the Provision of the Fixed-Route Mount Sinai Link

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## **Executive Summary**

The purpose of this item is to gain approval of the Board of County Commissioners (Board) for the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Miami Beach for delivery of the fixed-route Mount Sinai Link that directly connects the northern portions of Miami Beach to Mount Sinai Hospital via Alton Road. The Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW) commits to subsidizing this service for two years to support the transition with service changes as part of the Better Bus Network (BBN). This action is pursuant to Resolution No. R-1034-23, sponsored by Commissioner Steinberg, directing the Administration to negotiate an interlocal agreement with the City of Miami Beach and/or a third-party vendor for the provision of an alternative on-demand or fixed-route transit service to replace Route 115 which was eliminated with the adoption of the BBN. At six passengers per hour Route 115 was one of the least productive routes in the old network, but this new route addresses many of the community concerns and provides an appropriate level of fixed route service to meet the local demand.

The BBN was successful in focusing County resources on creating a high-frequency network, ensuring much higher productivity across the system. Current metrics are tracking increased productivity at 14 percent in the months after the implementation, and a ridership increase of eight percent in the first year. In addition, the realignment allowed municipalities to serve their local areas more efficiently, and their total ridership increased six percent since implementation. This new route is a good example of the type of complementary service created between the municipalities and the County regional network.

## **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board approve an Interlocal Agreement between Miami-Dade County, through the DTPW, and the City of Miami Beach for the operation of this fixed-route public transportation service in and around the City of Miami Beach. This Agreement shall be effective retroactively to November 13, 2023, and shall be binding since that date.

## **Scope**

The City of Miami Beach fixed-route service operates within County Commission Districts 4 and 5, which are represented by Commissioners Micky Steinberg and Eileen Higgins, respectively.

**Delegation of Authority**

In accordance with Section 2-8.3 of the Miami-Dade County Code related to identifying delegation of Board authority, there are no authorities, other than the right to terminate the agreement, beyond that specified in the resolution which includes authority for the Mayor or Mayor's designee to execute and terminate the agreement.

**Fiscal Impact/Funding Source**

DTPW will provide the City of Miami Beach with \$245,000 annually to subsidize the city's fixed-route service for two years, effective November 13, 2023. This subsidy will be funded through DTPW's Operating Fund. This cost equates to the annual service of one 14-passenger van operated by Freebee. After this initial two-year period, the City of Miami Beach will have to source alternative funding and resubmit its People's Transportation Plan-funded service plan to DTPW for approval. The County shall bear no responsibility for any cost overruns that may be incurred by the City of Miami Beach in the performance of the transportation services contemplated by this agreement. If reinstated today, Route 115 would cost \$598,905 annually. This agreement addresses the demand cost-efficiently, providing a more localized service within the municipality.

**Track Record/Monitor**

The project manager for this item is Linda Morris, DTPW Chief of Service Planning and Scheduling.

**Background**

This interlocal agreement between DTPW and the City of Miami Beach facilitates enhancing local mobility options between Mount Sinai Hospital and the northern portions of the City of Miami Beach with a new fixed-route service. This fixed-route service – the Mount Sinai Link – will replace the one, five-passenger Tesla on-demand vehicle with a 14-passenger van operated as a fixed-route by Freebee in areas previously served by DTPW's Route 115 before the implementation of the BBN. See Exhibit 1 of the agreement for the route alignment. Miami Beach users of the Mount Sinai Link may connect with DTPW's Routes 14, 36, 79, 100, and 279 which operate through the City of Miami Beach.

DTPW commits to subsidizing this service for a period of two years, retroactive to the implementation of the BBN, to assist the transition between the County service and the municipal local service. Funds for this service will come from DTPW's General Fund.

The hours of operation for the Mount Sinai Link are Monday through Sunday (seven days a week) from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.



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Jimmy Morales  
Chief Operating Officer



# MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

**TO:** Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** May 20, 2025

**FROM:**   
Glen Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No. 8(N)(6)

Please note any items checked.

- \_\_\_\_\_ **“3-Day Rule” for committees applicable if raised**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Budget required**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Statement of fiscal impact required**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Statement of social equity required**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor’s report for public hearing**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **No committee review**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3’s present \_\_\_\_, 2/3 membership \_\_\_\_, 3/5’s \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_, majority plus one \_\_\_\_, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) \_\_\_\_, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3) (h) or (4)(c) \_\_\_\_, CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c) (2) \_\_\_\_ ) to approve**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda Item No. 8(N)(6)  
5-20-25

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH FOR \$245,000.00 PER YEAR FOR THE FIRST TWO YEARS FOR THE PROVISION OF THE FIXED-ROUTE MOUNT SINAI LINK AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN, INCLUDING TERMINATION

**WHEREAS**, the City of Miami Beach wishes to enhance transportation services in the North Beach area, with the goal of providing improved connectivity to Mount Sinai Hospital, through the provision of locally operated fixed-route public transportation services; and

**WHEREAS**, section 31-102(f) of the Code of Miami-Dade County allows municipalities to operate circulator services when authorized by an Interlocal Agreement with the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the provision of this fixed-route service will provide a more reliable and consistent connection between North Beach and Mount Sinai Medical Center; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed fixed route circulator service will complement the existing Miami-Dade Department of Transportation and Public Works bus routes and help increase the use of these regional public transit services,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that this Board approves the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Miami Beach in substantially the form attached hereto and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute the Interlocal Agreement and exercise all provisions contained therein, including termination.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner ,  
who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner  
and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman	
Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman	
Marleine Bastien	Juan Carlos Bermudez
Sen. René García	Oliver G. Gilbert, III
Roberto J. Gonzalez	Keon Hardemon
Danielle Cohen Higgins	Eileen Higgins
Natalie Milian Orbis	Raquel A. Regalado
Micky Steinberg	

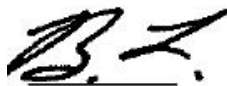
The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.



Bruce Libhaber



Interlocal Agreement Between  
Miami-Dade County and City of Miami Beach  
For the Provision of Circulator Services

This is an Interlocal Agreement, made and entered into by and between Miami-Dade County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, hereinafter referred to as "the County" and City of Miami Beach, a municipal corporation of the State of Florida, hereinafter referred to as "the Municipality".

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Municipality wishes to enhance local mobility through the provision of locally operated fixed-route public transportation services; and

WHEREAS, at the November 7, 2023 Board of County Commissioners meeting, a motion was made to direct the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to continue the negotiation of an interlocal agreement with the City of Miami Beach and/or a third-party vendor for the provision of an alternative long-term on-demand or fixed route transit service to replace Route 115 which was eliminated with the adoption of the Better Bus Network; and

WHEREAS, these services provide the Municipality with an opportunity to match the local travel needs of the residents while improving first and last mile connectivity; and

WHEREAS, the provision of these services can help minimize the need for specialized transportation services by the County; and

WHEREAS, the proposed fixed-route service will complement the existing Miami-Dade Department of Transportation and Public Works (D.T.P.W.) bus routes and help increase the use of these regional services; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY will commit to provide up to \$245,000 annually, for two years; and

WHEREAS, after which time, the CITY will have to source alternative funding and resubmit their People's Transportation Plan (PTP) funded service plan to the COUNTY for approval.

NOW THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION of the mutual terms, conditions, promises, covenants and payments hereinafter set forth, the County and the Municipality agree as follows:

## ARTICLE 1

### DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 "A.D.A." shall mean the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended.
- 1.2 "Contractor" shall mean any entity, public or private fixed-route public transportation services as described in this Agreement under contract to the Municipality.
- 1.3 "Circulator " shall mean fixed-route or semi-fixed route public transportation services using transit vehicles (including but not limited to buses, trolleys and cutaways), where at least seventy (70%) percent of the route is within the Municipality and said service is operated by the Municipality, directly or by contract, pursuant to this Agreement and Chapter 31 of the County Code.
- 1.4 "The County" shall include Miami-Dade County, the Miami-Dade Department of Transportation and Public Works Miami-Dade. Consumer Services Department, and authorized representatives thereof.
- 1.5 "The Municipality" shall mean Miami Beach and authorized representatives thereof.
- 1.6 "F.D.O.T." shall mean the Florida Department of Transportation and authorized.
- 1.7 "D.T.P.W." shall mean the Miami-Dade Department of Transportation and Public Works and authorized representatives thereof.
- 1.8 "U.S. D.O.T." shall refer to the U.S. Department of Transportation, its rules and regulations and representatives thereof.
- 1.9 "F.T.A." shall mean the Federal Transit Administration, its rules and regulations, and representatives thereof.
- 1.10 "PTRD" shall refer to the Passenger Transportation Regulatory Division of D.T.P.W..
- 1.11 "Federal Reporting Requirements" shall mean those requirements referenced in 49 CFR Section 5335(a), as may be amended from time to time, and found in the National Transit Database Reporting Manual published by the F.T.A.
- 1.12 "Fares" for the fixed-route transportation service shall mean individual transportation fees paid by public transit passengers in accordance with a schedule of fares adopted by County Ordinance.
- 1.13 "S.T.S.", Special Transportation Service, is the component of the conventional transit system designed to provide comparable Circulator service to disabled individuals as mandated in the A.D.A.



- 1.14 "Fixed-route" shall refer to a public transportation service with a defined route and schedule.
- 1.15 "Layover" shall refer to points along a transit route where a vehicle stops for prolonged periods of time for driver breaks, shift change or exchange of vehicles, typically at trip terminals.

## ARTICLE 2

### GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 Compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations. The Municipality and its contractors, if any, shall comply with all existing and future laws, statutes, ordinances, codes, rules, regulations and procedural requirements, whether federal, state, or local, which are applicable to or in any manner affect, the provision of the Circulator service. The Municipality shall be responsible for requiring compliance of its employees, contractors, and agents with all applicable county, state and federal requirements, including, but not limited to, all safety, mechanical, and vehicular standards mandated by D.T.P.W./P.T.R.D. The Municipality shall be responsible for obtaining copies of the appropriate laws, regulations, ordinances, and documents and complying therewith.
- 2.2 The County Regulatory Requirements. Prior to the commencement of the Circulator service under this Agreement, the Municipality and/or its contractors, if any, shall have current and valid certificates of transportation, permits, and chauffeur registrations as required by Chapter 31 of the County Code. The Municipality and its contractors shall maintain such certificates, registrations and permits current during the Period of this Agreement. In no event shall the Municipality or any of its contractors provide any transportation services contemplated by this Agreement until any and all County regulatory requirements are satisfied.
- 2.3 Vehicle Licensing. All vehicles utilized to provide Circulator service shall at all times be properly licensed and permitted in accordance with applicable federal, state and county requirements. Vehicle operators shall comply with all safety, mechanical and vehicular standards mandated by any applicable county, state and federal requirements including, but not limited to, all safety, mechanical and vehicular standards mandated by D.T.P.W./P.T.R.D.
- 2.4 Vehicle Standards. Vehicles shall comply with all of the Requirements contained in Chapter 30 and 31 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, pertinent state statutes and other directives as may be prescribed and required by D.T.P.W./P.T.R.D. All vehicles utilized to provide transportation services authorized by this Agreement shall at all times display a current and valid county permit and shall comply with safety, mechanical and vehicular requirements mandated by applicable county, state or federal requirements, including A.D.A.
- 2.5 Chauffeur Requirements. Vehicle chauffeurs shall at all times have a current and valid county chauffeur's registration, vehicle chauffeurs shall also comply with any safety,

mechanical and vehicle standards mandated by applicable county, state and federal requirements and as may be prescribed and required by D.T.P.W./P.T.R.D.

- 2.6 Proof of Compliance Prior to Operation. The Municipality and/or its contractors, if any shall provide the County with proof of compliance with licensure, insurance and any other requirements mandated by the County Code, state statute or federal law prior to commencement of the Circulator service.
- 2.7 Purchase of Services/Sole Responsibility. The parties concur that this Agreement is a contract for the provision of Circulator service provided by the Municipality for the benefit of residents of the Municipality and of the County. Municipality employees, agents and contractors providing Circulator services shall be considered to be, at all times, solely employees, agents or contractors of the Municipality under its sole direction and not employees, agents or contractors of the County.
- 2.8 Compliance with A.D.A. The Municipality's Circulator service shall comply with all applicable requirements of the A.D.A. The Municipality and the County recognize their joint obligation to provide S.T.S. in the area served by the Municipality's Circulator service. In fulfillment of the Municipality's obligation, the Municipality hereby allows the County to provide S.T.S. service at no cost to the Municipality. To the extent that any terms in the Agreement are in conflict with A.D.A., the requirements of the A.D.A. shall control.
- 2.9 Compliance with Procurement Requirements. The Municipality agrees to comply with applicable federal and state procurement requirements, as may be amended from time to time, when entering into contracts with third parties to fulfill the obligations under this Agreement.
- 2.10 County's Right to Submit Proposals and Bids. The County shall be notified and given the opportunity to bid upon any Requests for Proposals (R.F.P.), Requests for Qualifications (R.F.Q.), or requests for bids issued by the Municipality for provision of services pursuant to this Agreement.
- 2.11 Drug-free Workplace and Testing. In accordance with the County Code, the Municipality shall certify that it will have drug-free workplace program. Further, the Municipality shall require pre-employment drug testing and other periodic drug testing for all persons holding safety-sensitive positions, as defined by U.S. D.O.T., related to transit operation. Effective upon execution of the Agreement, the Municipality shall require that its employees or contractor if applicable, comply with all applicable requirements of the U.S. D.O.T. regulations for drug and alcohol testing. To the extent that any terms in this Agreement are inconsistent with the U.S. D.O.T. regulation, the requirements of the U.S. D.O.T. shall control.
- 2.12 Municipality Representative. The Municipality shall designate individual(s) to act as liaison to the County and notify the County thereof. The Municipality shall promptly notify the County of any changes.
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- 2.14 Amendments or modifications. Unless provided otherwise elsewhere in this Agreement, amendments and modifications to this Agreement must be in writing and shall require the signatures of the County Mayor or designee and the Mayor of the Municipality, or their designees, subject to authorization by their respective Boards. Notwithstanding the foregoing, amendments to this Agreement regarding alignments, schedules, and fares, as described in Section 2-150 (c) of the County Code, may be approved by the County Mayor or designee and the Municipality Manager or their designees.

### ARTICLE 3

#### CIRCULATOR SERVICE

- 3.1 Provision of Circulator Services. The Municipality shall provide Circulator service as contained in Exhibit 1 attached herein. Such service plan must be subject to public input and approval by D.T.P.W. prior to implementation. Public notices shall comply with Title VI requirements, per Section 8.3 of this Agreement.

In addition, the Municipality must notify the County under the following circumstances:

- 1) Prior to raising fares;
- 2) If the Municipality decides to site or locate a vehicle storage facility, maintenance facility or operations center which requires land acquisition or the displacement of persons from their residences and businesses for which a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process has not been completed (NOTE: A facility does not include bus shelters, transit stations or power substations);
- 3) Prior to the submission of the Municipality's Title VI Plan, the Public Participation Plan must be reviewed and approved by the County's Office of Civil Rights and Labor Relations for the D.T.P.W.. The plan must include an outreach plan to engage the Municipality's pre-determine traditionally underserved community; or
- 4) Prior to conducting either an Environmental Assessment (E.A.) or an Environmental Impact Statement (E.I.S.) for new projects.

- 3.2 Fares. The Municipality shall operate the Circulator service charging a fare in accordance with public transit fares established by the Municipality's legislative board, as may be modified from time to time. Initially no fare shall be collected until such a time as the Municipality's legislative board enacts an Ordinance with an alternative fare structure.

If an alternate fare structure is enacted, the Municipality shall accept all D.T.P.W. passes, transfers, or identification entitling a passenger to ride a vehicle without paying any additional fare. Qualified passengers shall pay no fare. D.T.P.W. Easy Cards and Tickets, or identification entitling a passenger shall be accepted to enable passengers to ride the Circulator service without paying an additional fare.

- 3.3 Connection and Coordination with County Bus Routes. All Municipality Circulator services shall be designed to feed the regional transit service in the most efficient manner possible.

- 3.4 Operation of Routes in Their Entirety. The Municipality shall be responsible for ensuring that Circulator service is operated in its entirety with no deviation from the approved routes and schedules unless otherwise authorized by the County.
- 3.5 Circulator Service Information. The County shall provide information on the Municipality's Circulator service through D.T.P.W.'s routine and customary public information dissemination processes, including its transit information telephone service, and transit website.
- 3.6 Issuance of Circulator Schedules. The County shall make available to its Metrobus, Metrorail and Metromover passengers map and schedules provided by the Municipality to D.T.P.W..
- 3.7 Route Modifications. Before any major service change, including the development of new routes or route alignment changes greater than 25% (based on existing route alignment), the Municipality shall perform a technical analysis of proposed route alignments and schedules of the Circulator service. The proposed service shall not begin operation without first obtaining successful review and approval of D.T.P.W., Service Planning and Scheduling Division. The Municipality shall follow D.T.P.W.'s Procedures for Establishing Municipal Circulator Routes.

From time to time, the County may make significant adjustments to alignment of regional bus routes in order to improve service. In the event that these improvements result in combined (County bus service plus Municipality Circulator service) frequency of 29 minutes or less as defined in Chapter 31-102 of the County Code, the Municipality shall adhere to the route modification process establish herein.

- 3.8 Use of Logo. The Municipality may wish to design a logo uniquely identifying its Circulator service. If they do so, such logo shall at all times be displayed on the exterior of all vehicles operation pursuant to this Agreement. The County shall allow the display of the Circulator logo on the County's bus stop signs at all stops common to the Municipality and the County bus routes does not interfere with previously placed signage and is done in coordination with D.T.P.W. staff. The Municipality shall be responsible for placing the logo on the pertinent signs.
- 3.9 Bus Stop Signs and Signposts. The Municipality may provide, install, and maintain bus stop signs and signposts at stops along the Municipality's Circulator routes. In the event that the Municipality, its contractor, licensee, permittee, or assignee installs sign facilities that can accommodate Metrobus bus stop information, the County may elect to utilize the Municipality's sign facility to display Metrobus bus stop information. If such election is made, D.T.P.W. shall provide to the Municipality the materials to be displayed on the bus stop sign facility, in the size and format to be specified by the Municipality and the Municipality will remove the County's signs and return the signs to the County. The Municipality shall be responsible for installing the Metrobus stop information in/on the bus stop sign facility.
- 3.10 A.D.A. at Bus Stops. The Municipality agrees that it will be the responsibility of the Municipality to comply with all A.D.A. standards and regulations with regards to

accessibility to and from bus passenger stops and bus shelters which the Municipality installs.

- 3.11 Bus Stops and Bus Bays or Pull-outs. The Municipality shall, at its sole option, provide, install and maintain bus stop sites, including bus bays or pull-outs at bus stops along the Municipality's Circulator routes, provided that any proposed bus bays or pull-outs shall be first reviewed and approved by the County or State, as appropriate. Notwithstanding the forgoing, the Municipality shall be responsible for identifying Municipality owned right-of-way for the layover of vehicles to be used in connection to its Circulator service.

Should the Municipality decide to operate its Circulator service with vehicles that require the deployment of exterior lifts, the County may require the Municipality to designate and build bus bays in order to minimize impact to vehicular traffic.

- 3.12 Non-Interference and Non-Disturbance. The County and the Municipality hereby mutually agree not to interfere with or unreasonably impede the free flow of pedestrian movement or of each other's public transit vehicular traffic or passengers accessing or egressing County Metrobus or Municipality Circulator in-service vehicles.

- 3.13 Miscellaneous. The Municipality or Municipality's Contractor shall provide adequate customer service training to its employees. Drivers, dispatchers and supervisors shall be subject to a training program inclusive of the recommended practices established by the American Public Transportation Association (A.P.T.A.) in documents BTS-BO-RP-001-07 and BTS-BO-RP 0002-07 (copies have been previously been provided to the Municipality).

## ARTICLE 4

### RECORDS AND REPORTS

- 4.1 Reporting Requirements. The Municipality shall collect or assure the collection of the following information:

- On time performance
- Average vehicle speed per route
- Ridership (average weekday, Saturday and Sunday) by stop
- Revenue miles
- Revenue hours
- Number of incidents
- Number of complaints

Reports shall be submitted to the County on a quarterly basis. Additionally, the Municipality shall comply with any Federal and State reporting requirements applicable to the subject service. Quarterly reports shall include the information listed above in an aggregated format, including trends noticed. Quarterly reports shall be submitted to the County no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, April, July and October.

The Municipality shall meet or exceed D.T.P.W.'s adopted service standards for on-time performance and customer service.

- 4.2 Real Time Data. The Municipality agrees to provide to the County the real time Circulator service route information in a format approved by D.T.P.W., or its successor department, such as provided by a Global Positioning System (GPS), via General Transit Feed Specification-Real Time (GTFS-RT) and which is compatible with, and may be integrated into, the County's smartphone transit tracker application and common third party applications.
- 4.3 Circulator Coverage. The Municipality agrees to provide to the County, on a quarterly basis, a description of any area within the Municipality boundaries not being serviced by its Circulator routes.

## ARTICLE 5

### INSURANCE

The parties hereto acknowledge the Municipality is self-insured governmental entity subject to the limitations of Section 768.28, F.S. The Municipality shall institute and maintain a fiscally sound and prudent risk management program with regard to its obligations under this Agreement in accordance with the provision of Section 768.28, F.S. The Municipality shall collect and keep on file documentation of insurance of any and all private providers operating in the Municipality's Circulator service. In the event that the Municipality contracts with a private vendor for services, the Municipality shall require contractor to meet the insurance requirements shown in **Figure 1**, as minimum. The Municipality shall further require the private operator to include the County as a named insured and shall provide the County with a copy of the insurance policy purchased by any contractor prior to the provision of Circulator service operations.

#### Figure 1 Insurance Check List

1. Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability per the statutory limits of the state of Florida.
2. Commercial General liability (occurrence form), limits of liability \$1,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury property damage to include premises/ operations; products and completed operations; independent Contractors; broad form property damage endorsement and contractual indemnity (hold harmless endorsement exactly as written in "insurance requirements" of specifications).
3. Automobile Liability- \$ 1,000,000 each occurrence owned/non-owned/ hired automobiles included.
4. Excess Liability- \$\_\_\_\_\_.00 per occurrence to follow the primary coverage.
5. The Municipality must be named as an additional insured on the liability policies and it must be named as an additional insured on the liability policies; and it must be stated on the certificate.

6. Other Insurance as indicated:

<input type="checkbox"/> Builders Risk completed value	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Liquor liability	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Fire legal liability	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Protection and indemnity	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Employee dishonesty bond	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other blanket fidelity bond	\$ <u>10,000.00</u>

7. Thirty days written cancellation notice required.

8. Best's guide rating B+: VI or better, latest edition.

9. The certificate must state the bid number and title.

## ARTICLE 6

### INDEMNIFICATION

6.1 The Municipality shall, to the extent permitted by law at all-time hereafter, indemnify and hold harmless the County, and its officers, agents, employees and instrumentalities from any and all liability, claims, losses and causes of action, including attorneys' fees and costs of defense which the County or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kinds or nature arising out of, or relating to or resulting from the negligence of the Municipality and/or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities, during the term of this Agreement. The Municipality shall resolve all claims and losses in connection therewith, and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the County, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments and reasonable attorneys' fees which may issue thereon. The Municipality expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by this Agreement or otherwise provided by the Municipality shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless and defend the County or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities as herein provided. Nothing herein shall be deemed to indemnify the County from any liability or claim arising out of the negligent performance or failure of performance of the County, its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities or any other related third party. This paragraph is subject to the limitations of Section 768.28, F.S.

6.2 (Intentionally Omitted)

6.3 In the event the Municipality contracts for transportation services authorized by this Agreement, the contractor shall, in its contract with the Municipality, be required to indemnify and hold harmless the County, and its officers, agents employees and instrumentalities from any and all liability, claims, liabilities, losses, and causes of action,

including reasonable attorneys' fees and cost of defense which the County, the Municipality or their officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, or relating to or resulting from the provision of transportation services by the contractor and/or its officers, employees, agents or independent contractors. The contractor shall be required to pay all claims and losses in connection therewith, and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the County and Municipality, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments and attorneys' fees which may issue thereon. The Municipality shall require that the contract between and Municipality and the contractor include a provision which states that the contractor expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by this agreement or otherwise provided by the contractor shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless and defend the County and the Municipality or their officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities as herein provided. Nothing herein shall be deemed to indemnify the County and the Municipality from any liability or claim arising out of the negligent performance of the County and the Municipality, their officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities or any other related third party.

## ARTICLE 7

### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- 7.1 Maximum Funding Amount. The County will provide to the City \$245,000.00 annually for two (2) years only, effective November 13, 2023. The County shall bear no responsibility for any cost overruns that may be incurred by the City in the performance of the Transportation Services contemplated by this agreement. This shall be invoiced quarterly to DTPW no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> of the following months: January, April, July, October. The invoice shall include receipt of the revenue hours billed by the vendor to ensure service rendered.
- 7.2 Grant Matching Funds. The Municipality may, at its sole option, provide grant-matching funds for state and/or federal grants for capital or operating funds to be used for the Transportation Services. The County, upon agreement with the Municipality, may, but shall not be required to, provide all or part of cash or other types of matches required for state and federal grants which may be received by the Municipality for the Circulator service, or for expansion of the Circulator service, in future years.
- 7.3 Bus Shelters and Benches. The Municipality shall at its own cost maintain all shelters, benches, and all other bus stop furnishings within the Municipality.
- 7.4 In the event the County seeks federal or state funds and a condition of receipt of said funds is the provision of operating statistics for the National Transit Database, County may require Municipality to maintain and provide the necessary data. Municipality's Share of supplemental Federal Funding. Beginning with the first year in which the Circulator service's operating statistics are reflected in the National Transit Database, where those operating statistics result in new or supplemental funds are solely attributable to the Circulator service's properly reported operations, the County agrees to pay the Municipality its attributable share of federal formula funds received from US DOT no less than sixty(60)

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days after funding is received from the federal government, less any direct grants received by the Municipality from the County for the Circulator service, provided that the funds remitted to the Municipality herein shall be used for the expansion, enhancement or maintenance of the Circulator service program.

As used herein, the Municipality's attributable share shall be one half of the amount equivalent to those Supplemental Urbanized Area Formula Funds, as described in 49 U.S.C, Section 5307, as may be amended from time to time, that the County received as a direct result of Circulator service provided by the Municipality pursuant to this Agreement and as included in the National Transit Database. Said attributable share shall be calculated utilizing the following formula:

Multiply by .5 the Municipality's properly reported annualized Bus Revenue Vehicle Miles statistic that was used in the apportioned federal programs for a fiscal year "Unit Value for Bus Vehicle Miles for Urbanized Areas over 1,000,000" as reported in the table of Unit Values for Formula Grant Apportionments, published annually in the Federal Register.

NOTE: Historically, apportioned funds are allocated to the County two (2) years after Bus Revenue Vehicle Miles are reported to federal government.

- 7.5 Comparable Agreements. In the event that the County enters into an Interlocal Agreement with any other municipality for Circulator services which are comparable to the services provided herein, County may agree to amend this Agreement, if requested by the Municipality, to provide substantially equivalent favorable terms to the Municipality as those provided in such other County/ Municipality Interlocal Agreements.

## ARTICLE 8

### TERMS, MODIFICATIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 8.1 Terms of Agreement. This Agreement shall commence upon approval of the County's Board of County Commissioners and the Municipality's legislative board and the execution by the County Mayor or designee and Mayor of the Municipality or designee, with an effective date of November 13, 2023, and shall remain in force for two years thereafter. This Agreement may be renewed for up to two (5) five-year automatic option to renew under the same contract terms and conditions, upon mutual agreement by the County Mayor or designee and the City Manager or designee. All parties have the right to terminate (see 8.4 and 8.5).
- 8.2 Renegotiation or Modification. Any substantive changes in the level of service to be provided by the Municipality as set forth herein shall only be implemented after the County and the Municipality have entered into a written agreement describing the changed services, and the provisions of the County Code have been exercised.
- 8.3 Title VI and VII Civil Rights Act of 1964. The Municipality and its Contractors shall not discriminate against any person because of race, color, sex, religious background, ancestry or national origin in the performance of the Agreement. The Municipality and its

Contractor agree to comply with any portion of the Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 applicable to the operation of this route.

The Municipality shall guarantee adequate public engagement prior to establishing a new or modifying an existing Municipality Circulator service. The following steps must be performed: 1) Advertise a notice of public hearing in English and Spanish; and 2) Conduct a minimum of one public hearing that gives the community an opportunity to voice their opinion concerning the proposed service. The Municipality shall provide to the County proof of newspaper Ad, and meeting minutes or adopted resolution.

8.35 Americans with Disabilities Act (A.D.A.) Title II of 1990.

The Municipality, and its Contractors shall not discriminate against any person because of race, sex, religious background, ancestry, national origin or disability in the performance of the Agreement. The Municipality and its contractors agree to comply with all parts of the A.D.A. Title II applicable to the operation of this route. Furthermore, the Municipality, prior to putting into place and operating this route, shall provide the following evidence to the County of compliance with Title II of the A.D.A. as mandated by the Code of Federal Regulations Title 49 Parts 27.13 and 27.15:

1. The name and contact information of the Municipality's A.D.A. Coordinator.
2. Evidence of A.D.A. notice posted in an accessible format on the Municipality's website.
3. The A.D.A. notice shall be comprised of the following:
  - a. Notice of nondiscrimination on the basis of disability (see Appendix X for sample);
  - b. A.D.A. grievance procedure;
  - c. An online contact form if applicable; and
  - d. Accessible contact information of the designated A.D.A. Coordinator, including phone number and email address.

8.4 Termination for Cause. This Agreement may be terminated for cause by either party upon no less than thirty (30) days written notice to the other party, except when Circulator service operations are in violation of health and/or safety-related provisions of state statutes or the County Code, in which case termination shall be determined by the County Mayor or designee. Said notice shall be delivered by verified facsimile transmission or certified mail, return receipt requested. The noticed party shall have the opportunity to cure any stated cause for termination within a reasonable notice period, in which case the termination party may cancel the termination notice using the same means by which the notice of termination was delivered.

8.5 Termination without Cause. The County or the Municipality may terminate this Agreement without cause upon no less than sixty (60) days written notice to the other party. If the County or the Municipality terminates this Agreement with or without cause, the Municipality agrees to reimburse the County on a prorated basis for any financial assistance it has received for the Circulator service for the year.

8.6 Notices. All notices and other communications required to be remitted pursuant to this Agreement to either party hereto shall be in writing and shall be delivered by verified

facsimile transmission or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the parties at the address indicated below:

FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY:

Miami-Dade County Department of Transportation and Public Works  
701 NW 1<sup>st</sup> Court, Suite 1700  
Miami, Florida 33136  
Attention: Director  
Fax: (786) 469-5406

FOR MUNICIPALITY

Jose Gonzalez, P.E., Director  
Transportation & Mobility Department  
City of Miami Beach  
1700 Convention Center Drive  
Miami Beach, Florida 33139  
Phone: 305-673-7000 Extension 6768

- 8.7 Complete and Binding Agreement. This writing embodies the full and complete agreement of the parties. No other terms, conditions or modifications shall be binding upon the parties unless in writing and signed by the parties.
- 8.8 Execution. This document shall be executed in five (5) counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original.
- 8.9 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida.

[Signature Pages Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective and duly authorized officers the day and year first above written.

ATTEST:

City of Miami Beach  
a municipal corporation of  
the State of Florida

By:   
Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

By:   
Eric T. Carpenter, P.E., City Manager

Date: NOV 04 2024



APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION

  
City Attorney

10/07/24  
Date

ATTEST:

Miami-Dade County, a political  
Subdivision of the State of Florida

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By Its Board of County  
Commissioners

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
DEPUTY CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date  
Daniella Levine Cava  
Miami-Dade County Mayor

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency \_\_\_\_\_

**Exhibit 1**  
**(Mount Sinai Link Route Map and Span of Service**  
**Schedule)**

